

## How to make a double-sided door snake!

### Resources needed:

- ❖ Pins
- ❖ Fabric (scrap pieces)
- ❖ Thread
- ❖ Scissors
- ❖ Stuffing (we use leftover insulation, could use fabric scraps, etc)
- ❖ Chalk to mark lines

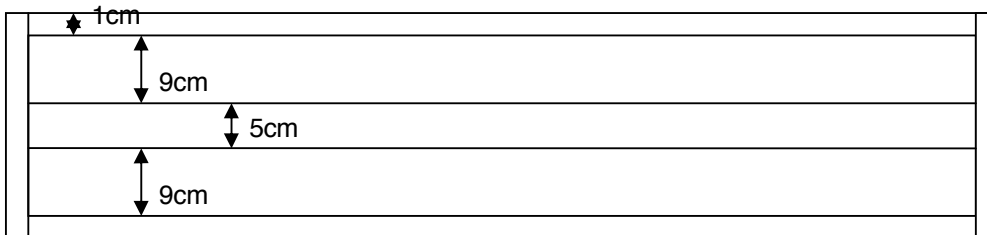


### Optional:

- ❖ Material to make a tongue or a tail, eyes, etc.

### Make a pattern:

- ❖ Make the pattern 3cm under actual door size
- ❖ Standard NZ door sizes: 71cm, 76cm, 81cm, 86cm and 91cm
- ❖ Draw a 1:1 pattern on a large piece of (news)paper:
  - 1cm seam allowance around all sides
  - 9cm for the parts that will be filled
  - 5cm for central part that will stay flat under door



### Step-by-step sewing:

1. Cut fabric to size using the pattern. If fabric is one big piece that can be folded in half then no seam is needed on the side that is folded.
2. Put edges of fabric together with the correct side of fabric on the outside (Note: at step 4, the snake is going to be turned inside out, so for now the good side of the fabric is on the inside.) and pin along the seam allowance.
3. Stitch along the 1 cm seam allowance, leaving the top side open (so 3 edges will be closed).
4. Turn the sack inside out.
5. Fold the 1cm seam of the top end inside, pin and stitch around it, so it's open but stitched.
6. Flatten the sack, find the middle (should be around 11.5cm) using a ruler, and from the middle mark with chalk 2.5cm on either side. This is the section that will slide under the door. Pin along the two lines.
7. Stitch along the two lines. You should now have 3 compartments (9cm, 5cm and 9cm).
8. Optional: Stitch a pattern on the middle part (diamonds, wavy lines, whatever you like! Be creative ☺)
9. Stuff the two outer compartments tightly and evenly. Stitch along top end to close.
10. Optional: If you want to make a doorsnake, you can sew in a tongue. Add beads/buttons for eyes (but leave them out for households with small children!).